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The patentee hereby petitions for a Certificate of Correction as shown on the attached page. With the exception of the very first correction, which is minimal, the addition of the word "in," all meaningful corrections are to errors made by the patent office. Most of the corrections are made near the bottom of Column 5 and fall into claim 1, although the final correction falls into claim 3. Of the corrections to the claims, all but one changes a noun from the singular to the plural or from the plural to the singular. In

three places the word "contacts" is changed to the word "contact," the word "column" is changed to the word "columns," and the word "row" is changed to the word "rows." The only significant change to the claims is the substitution of the word "source" for the word "surface." This and all the corrections to the claims are printing errors made on behalf of the Patent Office.

Enclosed is a copy of the first six pages of the Amendment filed in this matter on November 2, 2006 showing the status of the claims at the end of the prosecution of the application. I have added in the margins the erroneous language printed in the patent and circled the correct language in red. Since all the significant errors were made by the Patent Office and not by the patentee, the applicant believes that the Certificate of Correction should be entered without cost to the patentee. Entry of the Certificate of Correction is therefore requested without charge to the patentee.

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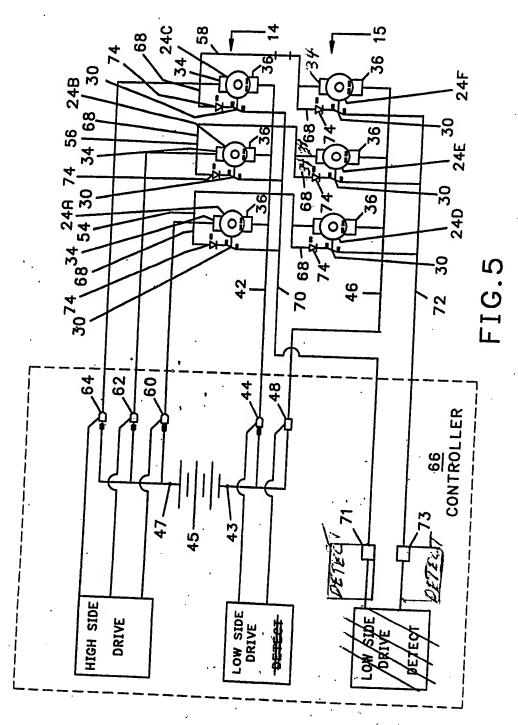
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Drawing Amendments

Please amend Fig. 5 of the drawings as shown in red below:



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Claim Amendments

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (canceled)
- 2. (canceled)
- 3. (currently amended) The method of controlling a plurality of motors for stopping said motors at a home orientation wherein each of said motors has a first contact, a second contact, and an output shaft, said plurality of motors being configured in a grid having columns and rows with said first contact of all of said motors in one of said columns connected in parallel by a first wire to a first pole of a source of electric power through a first switch and said second contact of all of said motors in one of said

rows connected in parallel by a second wire to a second pole of said source of electric power through a second switch, wherein one of said plurality of motors in a first column and in a first row is energized by closing said first switch of said first column and said second switch of said first row to direct directing electric power across said first contacts of said first column and across said second contacts of said first row, said method controller comprising the steps of:

providing a switch on each of said plurality of motors wherein said switch has a first contact, a second contact, an open position, and a closed position,

providing means on each said output shaft of each of said plurality of motors for actuating said switch thereon when said shaft is at said home orientation,

connecting said first contact of said switch to said first contact of said motors for each of said plurality of said motors,

providing means for detecting a change in electric potential, and connecting said second contact of said switches of each of said plurality of motors of said first row-of said plurality of motors in parallel by a third wire to said means for detecting a change in electric potential by a detector line wherein said detector line is independent of a circuit for applying power to said plurality of motors, and wherein said means for detecting will detect a change in potential when said shaft of said one of said plurality of motors rotates to its said home orientation, and

opening said first switch of said first column and said second switch of said first row when said detector detects said change in potential to stop further rotation of said one of said plurality of motors.

- 4. (original) The method of claim 3 and comprising the further step of providing means in series with said switch for preventing a reverse current through said switch.
- 5. (currently amended) In a control for controlling a plurality of motors for stopping said motors at a home orientation wherein each of said motors has a first contact, a second contact, and an output shaft, said plurality of motors being configured in a grid having columns and rows with said first contact of all of said motors in one of said columns connected in parallel wherein said first contact of said plurality of motors

ef- a first of said columns are connected in parallel by a first wire through a first switch to a first pole of a source of electric power and said second contact of all of said motors in a first of said rows are connected in parallel by a second wire through a second switch to a second pole of said source of electric power, wherein said control applies electric power to one of said plurality of motors in a said first column and in said first row is energized by closing said first and second switches and directing electric power across said first contacts of said first column and said second contacts of said first row, a switch on each of said plurality of motors, said switch on each of said plurality of motors having a first contact, a second contact, an open condition and a closed condition, and for each of said plurality of motors means on said output shaft thereof for actuating said switch thereon when its said shaft is in its said home orientation, the improvement in said control comprising:

for each one of said plurality of motors, said first contact of said switch thereon connected to said first contact of said motor,

means for detecting a change in electric potential, and

for each one of said plurality of motors in said first row of motors said second contact of said switch thereon connected in parallel to said means for detecting a change in electric potential by a third wire detector line independent of a circuit to apply power to said motor, wherein said means for detecting will detect a change in potential when said first and second switches are closed and said output shaft of said one of said plurality of motors has rotated to its said home orientation, and

said controller terminates further rotation of said one of said plurality of motors by opening said first switch and said second switch when said means for detecting detects said change in potential.

6. (currently amended) The improvement of claim 5 and further comprising means in series with said switch <u>on each of said plurality of motors</u> for preventing a reverse current through said switch <u>thereon</u>.

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| It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below: |
| In column 5, line 5, after "switch 60" insertin |
| In column 5, line 44, after "first" delete "contacts" and substitutecontact |
| In column 5, line 45, after "said" second occurrence, delete "column" and substitutecolumns |
| In column 5, line 46, after "of a" delete "surface" and substitutesource |
| In column 5, line 47, after "second" delete "contacts" and substitutecontact |
| In column 5, line 48, after "said" delete "row" and substituterows |
| In column 6, line 23, after "first" delete "contacts" and substitutecontact |
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